

## **MEMORANDUM**

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Ex Parte Communication Regarding

**Draft Advisory Opinion 2009-10** 

Visclosky for Congress

Transmitted herewith is an ex parte communication from Ken Christensen, regarding the above-captioned matter.



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Congressman Peter Visclosky should not be permitted to use campaign funds for his legal fees. Visclosky should use his own funds for his personal defense, due to his own actions as a congressman, just as I would have to use my own funds to defend myself against a federal investigation. To add insult to injury, the allegations are that those who donated received improper consideration in earmarks advanced by Visclosky. The charges also allege that there were illegal campaign contributions. In light of these circumstances, it makes no sense to allow funds allegedly obtained illegally to be used to defend those alleged illegal acts. To do so should be an affront to any prudent sense of justice.

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